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Unitary shipments -----

October down 12.3%, year up 2.4%

ARLINGTON, Va. -- Combined U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and air source heat pumps dropped 12.3 percent in October compared to October 1987, however, the nine month period January-October is still 2.4 percent ahead of last year, according to ARI statistics.

U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and heat pumps during October:

- o totalled 249,342,
- o down 12.3% from October 1987,
- o year-to-date total 3,551,736,
- o up 2.4% from January-October 1987.

Heat pump shipments included in the October figures:

- o totalled 62,972,
- o down 14.3% from October 1987,
- o year-to-date total 722,143,
- o down 6.5% from January-October 1987.

October factory stocks:

- o up 45,323 units from September,
- o down 61,536 units from October 1987.

October distributor shipments:

- o up 3% from October 1987,
- o year-to-date shipments up 6%.

October distributor inventories:

- o down 22,791 units from September,
- o down 1,286 units from October 1987.

October U.S. dollar bookings of reciprocating liquid chillers:

- o down 38% from October 1987,
- o year-to-date up 9%.

October U.S. dollar bookings of large tonnage liquid chillers:

- o down 18% from October 1987,
- o year-to-date up 15%.

(See reverse side for Condensed Summary by Size.)

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Unitary Heating and Cooling Section's Condensed Summary by Size of United States Manufacturers' Shipments

	SIZE BTUH (000)		UNITED STATES NUMBER OF UNITS CONDENSER-TYPE AIR OR EVAP. COOLED A	WATER COOLED B	U.S TOTAL C	% CHG. FROM 1987
CONDENSED SUMMARY BY SIZE	Under 16.5		1708		1708	24.1-
	16.5-21.9		20424		20424	26.4-
	22-26.9		49032		49032	17.7-
	27-32.9		45871		45871	13.6-
	33-38.9		56165	64	56229	4.3-
	39-43.9		18044		18044	18.8-
	44-53.9		21275		21275	17.6-
	54-64.9		21381	119	21500	1.5-
	65-96.9		5896	85	5981	11.7+
	97-134.9		4310	86	4396	25.0+
	135-184.9		2331	62	2393	25.8+
	185-249.9		959	44	1003	19.4+
	250-319.9		504	25	529	34.3+
	320-379.9		312	28	340	.9+
	380-539.9		229	32	261	7.4+
	540-639.9		127	21	148	29.8+
	640 and over		181	27	208	27.0-
	TOTAL		248749	593	249342	12.3-